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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

Figures 1 and 2 have been changed to show "Prior Art". No new matter is added by these changes.

Appendix:

Replacement sheets

Annotated sheets showing changes

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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject patent application are respectfully requested.

Applicant notes that the PTO-1449 forms returned with this office action, like those returned with the prior office action, are not initialed to evidence consideration of all of the documents submitted with the Information Disclosure Statements of June 30, 2004 and May 6, 2002. Copies of these forms are enclosed herewith an Applicant respectfully requests that they be initialed to evidence consideration of the "Copy of the EP Search Report dated 6/14/04" and the "Global CDM II" article.

As requested, Figures 1 and 2 have been designated with the legend "Prior Art."

Replacement drawing sheets and annotated drawing sheet showing changes are attached to this Amendment in the Appendix.

The office action alleges that the receiver of claim 23 is not shown in the drawings. While Applicant disagrees with this contention, claims 23 and 24 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer as a matter of expediency. As such, this objection to the drawings is moot.

A replacement Abstract limited to one paragraph was provided in the prior response dated March 30, 2005. Nonetheless, another replacement Abstract limited to one paragraph is attached to this Amendment in the Appendix and withdrawal of the objection to the Abstract is respectfully requested.

The specification has been amended on page 17 to provide explicit antecedent basis for the claim language "once every two clock units" in claims 5, 15 and 20. Consequently, withdrawal of the objection to the specification is respectfully requested.

Claims 2, 10, 13 and 22 have been amended as kindly suggested by the Examiner and withdrawal of the objection to the claims is respectfully requested.

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The pending claims are believed to be allowable and favorable office action is respectfully requested.

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